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SHB 1136	Schoesler, Wood, Ahern	<b>Regarding Product Standards</b> - Requires the director of the Department of General Administration to adopt product standards for strawboard and strawboard products for recycled product purchases made by state agencies; and adopts the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's product standards for all building products and materials, not just building insulation, unless the director makes certain findings. (KH)	Delivered to the Governor
SHB 1140	Schoesler, Grant, Sump	<b>Modifying the Taxation of Grain Warehouses</b> - Allows a grain warehouse to report for B&O tax purposes based on either a cash receipt or accrual basis regardless of its normal accounting methods. (KH)	Chapter 20, Laws of 2001
SHB 1163	Eickmeyer, Doumit, Rockefeller	<b>Changing Provisions Relating to Disposal of Garbage and Junk Vehicles</b> - Changes penalties for littering and abandoning junk vehicles in an incorporated area so that they are the same as the existing penalties for the same offenses in the unincorporated portion of a county. (JC)	Delivered to the Governor
HB 1198	Chandler, G., Cooper	<b>Including Drinking Water Accounts in Interest-bearing Accounts</b> - Creates two new accounts, the drinking water assistance administrative account and the drinking water assistance repayment account, in the state treasury and authorizes these accounts to receive interest earnings. (CD)	Delivered to the Governor
EHB 1350	Chandler, G., Linville	<b>Changing Water Right Appeals Procedures for Rights Subject to a General Stream Adjudication</b> - Grants the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) authority to review decisions of the Department of Ecology regarding transfers or changes of existing water rights that are themselves subject to a general adjudication proceeding for water rights; requires appeals of the PCHB decisions to be made to the superior court conducting the general adjudication; and establishes special rules for such appeals that apply if the general adjudication proceeding was begun before October 13, 1977. (KH)	Delivered to the Governor
2SHB 1752	Clements, Grant, Chandler, G.	<b>Allowing for Claims for Wildlife Damage on Rangeland Suitable for Grazing or Browsing of Domestic Livestock</b> - Adds rangeland forage on privately owned land used for commercial grazing or browsing to the definition of "crop" as it used to describe damage caused by wildlife. Allows the Department of Fish and Wildlife to pay up to one-third of the money allocated for wildlife damage claims to the owners or lessees of rangeland livestock forage for damage caused by deer and elk. Requires fifty percent of any unspent funds allocated to pay wildlife damage claims to be used as matching grants to enhance elk and deer habitat on public lands. Requires a program review by the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee by January 1, 2004. (JC)	Delivered to the Governor

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	SINE DIE STATUS
HB 1780	Armstrong, Linville, Chandler, B.	<b>Concerning Moneys in the Fruit and Vegetable District Fund -</b> Extends the date by which monies transferred from a district fruit and vegetable fund must be expended for apple maggot control activities or be returned to the district fund. (KH)	Delivered to the Governor
ESHB 1832	Linville, Chandler, G.	<p><b>Modifying Provisions Concerning Water Management -</b> Allows local watershed planning units to receive additional grant funding for certain planning elements, and allows a more flexible funding schedule.</p> <p>Allows applications for modifying existing water rights to be processed separately from applications for new water rights and does not protect the latter applications from being impaired by decisions regarding the existing rights; alters the calculation of the quantity of water that may be transferred when an existing water right is modified and prohibits certain conditions for such transfers; expressly allows water conservancy boards to process the same types of modifications of water rights as may be processed by the Department of Ecology; waives certain liability of such a board and its members and employees; establishes new conflict-of-interest requirements for board members; and requires the review of board decisions to deny applications.</p> <p>Increases the number of acres that may be irrigated under a family farm permit, and expressly allows changes in the purpose of use of an agricultural irrigation water right secured under a family farm permit under specified circumstances.</p> <p>Alters requirements for donating water rights to the trust water right systems for instream flows in areas where aquatic species have been listed under state or federal law and establishes similar requirements for certain state leases of water rights in areas covered by drought orders..</p> <p>Reduces public utility taxes regarding certain reclaimed water and water conservation services; and requires certain reports regarding the implementation of this act, water conservation tax incentives, watershed planning, and processing applications by water conservancy boards. (KH)</p>	Delivered to the Governor
HB 1865	Chandler, G., Grant	<b>Changing Watershed Planning Provisions -</b> Designates, for a water resource inventory area (WRIA) with lands in the Columbia Basin Project, the water supply utility obtaining from the project the largest quantity of water for the WRIA as being the water supply utility that is an initiating government for watershed planning for the WRIA. (KH)	Delivered to the Governor
SHB 1892	Linville, Chandler, G.	<b>Regulating Agricultural Commodity Boards and Commissions -</b> Authorizes members of agricultural commodity boards and commissions to receive compensation of up to \$100/day (rather than up to \$35/day) for each official duty day; reduces the minimum age required for a member of such a commission and for producer members of such a board created by marketing order and specifies how those members and their employees may be reimbursed for travel costs; expands the purposes for which a commodity commission or board may be created by a marketing order and expands the authorized powers and duties of such a commission or board. (KH)	Delivered to the Governor

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	SINE DIE STATUS
HB 2037	Chandler, G.	<b>Changing Provisions Relating to the Administration of Irrigation Districts</b> - Specifies joint owners of jointly owned property (e.g., community property, joint tenancies, tenancies in common and tenancies in partnership) are to be considered as a single landowner for purposes of petition signature requirements for mergers of minor irrigation districts into major irrigation districts; removes restriction on irrigation district annexations to lands that are adjacent, contiguous and constituting one tract; and makes unpaid irrigation district rates and charges a lien against the property to which service is available until paid in full. (CD)	Delivered to the Governor
SB 5121	Regala, Morton, Oke	<b>Correcting References to the Former Office of Marine Safety</b> - Corrects existing references in the RCW to the former Office of Marine Safety. (JC)	Chapter 36, Laws of 2001
SSB 5182	Spanel, McDonald, Fraser	<p><b>Ensuring a Pipeline Safety Program in the State</b> - Establishes an annual pipeline safety fee payable by natural gas and hazardous liquid pipeline companies subject to inspection and enforcement by the Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC); specifies the fee is to be set by the UTC before July 1st each year and requires a late fee of 2 percent and interest of 1 percent per month for fees paid after the due date; states the aggregate amount of fees must be sufficient to cover administrative program costs, including specifically identified items; specifies the revenue generated by the fees must be designed to not exceed appropriated levels; and subjects increases in the aggregate amount of fees to the fiscal growth factor restrictions.</p> <p>Requires the UTC fee methodology to be established by rule and to provide for an equitable distribution of program costs among fee-paying entities, including direct assignment of average inspection costs and a uniform and equitable means of allocating other costs; requires UTC rulemaking to assure pipeline safety fees are maintained separately from other fees; requires the UTC to keep accurate records of administration costs and makes these records prima facie correct in any proceeding to challenge a UTC order fixing fees and distributing regulatory expenses; and provides a process for a fee-paying entity to seek a refund.</p> <p>Creates a pipeline safety account, which replaces the hazardous liquid pipeline safety account in the state treasury, for deposit of pipeline safety fees, federal funding for pipeline safety programs, and civil penalties for failure to notify the one-number locator service and damaging pipelines and for payment of all pipeline safety expenses.</p> <p>Repeals provisions transferring powers, duties, and functions related to hazardous liquid pipeline safety from the UTC to the Department of Ecology (DOE) upon federal delegation of authority.</p> <p>Requires the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Committee (JLARC) to report to the Legislature by July 1, 2003, on pipeline safety programs, including comparisons of interstate and intrastate programs. Requires the UTC to develop a regulatory incentive program to be implemented after the JLARC review. Includes provisions regarding the role of the Citizens Committee on Pipeline Safety (Committee) as an advisor to the UTC and the participation of all Committee members. (CD)</p>	Delivered to the Governor

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	SINE DIE STATUS
SB 5333	Honeyford, Hale, Morton	<b>Concerning Preliminary Permits for Water Closed to Diversions Due to a Moratorium</b> - Reinstates, under certain circumstances, applications and preliminary water right permits that were canceled as a result of a moratorium on diversions from the Columbia River. (KH)	Delivered to the Governor
SSB 5533	Eide, Rasmussen, Swecker	<b>Posting and Notification of Pesticide Applications at Schools</b> - Requires each day care center and each public kindergarten, public elementary school, and public secondary school to provide certain notices of its pest control policies and methods; requires such a center or school to provide notice of and post signs regarding applications of pesticides to its buildings and property and provides exemptions from this requirement; requires such centers and schools to maintain and make accessible pesticide application records; and expands the types of applications of pesticides to other landscapes for which notification markers must be placed and regarding which records must be kept. (KH)	Delivered to the Governor
SSB 5497	Rasmussen, Swecker, Haugen	<b>Excluding Farm and Agricultural Land from Forest Land under the Forest Practices Act</b> - Specifies that agricultural land that is or was enrolled in the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program is not included in the definition of "forest land" as that term is used in the Forest Practices Act. (JC)	Chapter 102, Laws of 2001
SSB 5621	Rasmussen, Sheahan, Shin	<b>Authorizing Animal Massage</b> - Creates a process for a licensed massage practitioner to apply to the Washington State Board of Massage (Massage Board) for an endorsement as a small or large animal massage practitioner after completing 100 hours of training, with certain required training components, in either small or large animal massage; allows licensed massage practitioners applying for the endorsement within one year to submit documentation of a minimum of 50 training hours with up to 50 hours of practical experience or continuing education, or a combination thereof; authorizes the Massage Board to adopt rules for endorsements upon consultation with the Veterinary Board of Governors and licensed massage practitioners with animal massage training; and specifies animal massage therapy does not include diagnosis, prognosis, or treatment of animal diseases, deformities, defects, wounds, or injuries. (CD)	Delivered to the Governor
SSB 5734	Hale, Hewitt, Parlette	<b>Modifying Requirements to Receive State Allocations for an Agricultural Fair</b> - Allows the director of the Department of Agriculture to allow a county fair that has operated at least two years to reorganize as an area fair and be eligible for state fair funding. (JC)	Delivered to the Governor
SSB 5910	Fraser, Honeyford	<b>Regarding Temporary Nonuse of a Water Right</b> - Exempts a water right from being relinquished for non-use when the non-use is, under certain conditions, a result of crop rotation, varying weather conditions, reliance on the transient presence of return flows, water conservation measures implemented under the Yakima River Basin Water Enhancement Project, or an irrigation electricity buy-back agreement. (KH)	Delivered to the Governor

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	SINE DIE STATUS
SSB 5925	Jacobsen, Honeyford, Fraser	<b>Reusing Waste Water Derived from Food Processing</b> - Creates a permit process giving owners of agricultural processing plants the exclusive right to apply to the Department of Ecology (DOE) for application of agricultural industrial process water to agricultural water use; allows the DOE to refer the permit application to the Department of Health if a significant public health risk exists for land application of water; makes this permit process distinct from ground water and surface water permits, preserves preexisting rights to use this water; includes provisions against impairment of existing surface water rights, and exempts water rights satisfied by use of agricultural industrial process water from relinquishment; defines "agricultural industrial process water," "agricultural processing," and "agricultural water use" for purposes of this new permit process; and includes legislative findings regarding the role of the agricultural processing industry in promoting efficient water use. (CD)	Chapter 69, Laws of 2001
SJM 8019	Rasmussen, Parlette, Spanel	<b>Petitioning the Secretary of Agriculture to Review Certain Policies of the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program</b> - Requests the United States Secretary of Agriculture to allow the inclusion of perennial horticultural crop lands within the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program. (KH)	Filed with the Secretary of State



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ESHB 1034	Pennington, Mielke, Schindler	<b>Changing Outdoor Burning Provisions</b> - Allows Local Air Authorities and counties to relax prohibitions against outdoor burning in portions of urban growth areas not within incorporated city limits or portions of urban growth areas that do not have a general population density over 1,000 people per square mile; and allows local air authorities to promulgate rules regarding outdoor containers. (JC)	H Rules 3 (The bill reached S 2nd Reading before the end of the Regular Session.)
SHB 1451	Cooper, Chandler, G., Linville	<b>Regulating Pesticide Use in Schools</b> - Requires any person making an application of a non-restricted use pesticide to a school facility to be licensed as a school facility applicator and establishes re-certification requirements for those so licensed; requires each day care center, kindergarten, elementary school, and secondary school to provide certain notices of its pest control policies and methods, and to provide notice of and post signs regarding applications of pesticides to its buildings and property, and provides exemptions from this requirement; requires such centers and schools to maintain pesticide application records and make them accessible; expands the types of applications of pesticides to other landscapes for which notification markers must be placed and regarding which records must be kept. (KH)	H Approp (A bill on this subject, SSB 5533, has been delivered to the Governor.)
2SHB 1452	Linville, Chandler, G., Ruderman	<b>Ensuring a Pipeline Safety Program in the State</b> - Establishes an annual pipeline safety fee payable by natural gas and hazardous liquid pipeline companies subject to inspection and enforcement by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC); specifies the fee is to be set by the UTC before July 1st each year and requires a late fee of 2 percent and interest of 1 percent per month for fees paid after the due date; states aggregate amount of fees must be sufficient to cover administrative program costs, including specifically identified items; specifies revenue generated by the fees must be designed to not exceed appropriated levels; and subjects increases in aggregate amount of fees to fiscal growth factor restrictions.  Requires the UTC fee methodology to be established by rule and to provide for an equitable distribution of program costs among fee-paying entities, including direct assignment of average inspection costs and a uniform and equitable means of allocating other costs; requires UTC rulemaking to assure pipeline safety fees are maintained separately from other fees; requires the UTC to keep accurate records of administration costs and makes these records prima facie correct in any proceeding to challenge a UTC order fixing fees and distributing regulatory expenses; and provides a process for a fee-paying entity to seek a refund.  Repeals provisions transferring powers, duties, and functions related to hazardous liquid pipeline safety from the UTC to the Department of Ecology (DOE) upon federal delegation of authority. Requires the UTC to submit a report to the Legislature by November 15, 2002, on pipeline safety programs. Includes provisions regarding the role of the Citizens Committee on Pipeline Safety (Committee) as an advisor to the UTC and the participation of all Committee members. Requires the UTC to create an incentive program for allocating pipeline safety fees in collaboration with the Committee. (CD)	H Rules R (The bill is similar to SSB 5182 which has been delivered to the Governor.)

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	SINE DIE STATUS
SHB 1502	Chandler, G., Grant, Schoesler	<p><b>Revising Provisions Relating to Conservation Districts</b> - Allows conservation districts to choose to use the conservation district election process or the general election process for supervisor elections and includes new elections procedures for both election processes. Changes conservation district supervisors' terms from three to four years and includes provisions for initial appointed and elected supervisors' terms.</p> <p>Changes the definition of a conservation "district elector" from a registered voter residing within the district to a qualified county elector occupying land within the district boundary and changes "voters" references to "district electors" in various conservation district statutes. Allows conservation districts choosing the general election process to impose special assessments without county legislative authority approval. (CD)</p>	H Rules 3 (The bill reached S Ag & Int'l Trade before the end of the Regular Session. A bill on this subject, ESSB 5904, was in dispute between the House and Senate at the end of the Regular Session. )
SHB 1504	Chandler, G., Linville, Chandler, B.	<b>Describing the Agricultural Use of Water</b> - Describes the types of water uses within a general category of an "agricultural use" of water for which water may be used under a water right without seeking approval for altering the use of the right; and requires the Department of Ecology to be notified of such alterations of use except for changes in crops or cropping patterns. (KH)	H Rules R
HB 1533	Linville, Chandler, G., Grant	<b>Regarding Food Service Regulation</b> - Requires the Secretary of Health to create a committee to review state food service rules and to make recommendations to the Legislature and the State Board of Health; and identifies the composition of the committee. (KH)	H Approp
SHB 1563	Chandler, G., Linville, Pennington	<b>Providing Adjustments to Motor Vehicle Emission Inspection Fees</b> - Caps the fee charged to a customer for a motor vehicle emissions inspection at \$26.00 and limits the portion of the inspection fee that is dedicated for reimbursement of the Department of Ecology's administrative costs at \$3.80. (JC)	H Approp
SHB 1594	Linville, Chandler, G.	<b>Changing the Standard for Agricultural Transfers of Water</b> - Alters the method used to calculate the amount of water governed by a water right that may be transferred or changed to enable the irrigation of additional acreage or the addition of new water uses. (KH)	H Rules R (A similar provision is contained in ESHB 1832 which has been delivered to the Governor. )
HB 1765	Linville, Chandler, G., Kessler	<p><b>Providing a Tax Rate for Manufacturers of Dairy Products Comparable to Other Processors of Agricultural Commodities</b> - Sets the business and occupation tax rate for the manufacturers of dairy products at 0.138 % of the value of the products manufactured; and requires the producers of dairy products to maintain a business record, as prescribed by the Department of Revenue, as proof of sale to a person who transports the dairy products out of state. (JC)</p>	H Rules R
HB 1769	Chandler, G., Chandler, B., Clements	<b>Changing the Time Period for Relinquishment of a Water Right</b> - Lengthens the period of non-use of a water right that causes a relinquishment of the right to 10 years. (KH)	H Rules R

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	SINE DIE STATUS
SHB 1907	Linville, Barlean, Hunt	<b>Encouraging Recycling and Waste Reduction</b> - Requires the Department of General Administration to work with the commercial and industrial construction industry to develop guidelines for implementing on-site construction waste management planning, and report the results to the Legislature by December 15, 2001; requires the Director of the Department of General Administration to adopt product standards for recycled product purchasing for strawboard; applies the adopted product standards for recycled product purchasing to any state-funded construction project whenever the administering agency and project owner determine that the products are cost-effective and readily available; adopts the state goal of establishing programs to eliminate residential yard debris in landfills by year 2011 in areas where alternatives to disposal are not readily available and effective; allows solid waste collection companies to retain up to 30% of the revenue paid to the company for recyclable materials; and, directs food processing wastes and the debris from construction, demolition, and land-clearing to be given priority evaluation in the solid waste stream. (JC)	H Approp
SHB 1921	Linville, Kagi, Ruderman	<b>Establishing the Washington Climate Center</b> - Creates a joint select committee on climate change to study and make recommendations on the potential: (1) impacts of climate change in the state; and (2) effects of early action by the state, before action by the federal government or other states, on the state's competitive position with respect to other states; Identifies 15 joint select committee members, including legislative, environmental, agriculture, business, timber, county and city government, irrigation district, and municipal water purveyor representatives; includes provisions for governance, operation, and staffing of the joint select committee; requires the joint select committee to report interim findings to the Legislature by December 31, 2001, and final recommendations by June 30, 2002; and expires the joint select committee on July 1, 2002. (CD)	H Rules X (The bill is similar to ESSB 5674 which reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session.)
SHB 1937	Linville, Chandler, B., Chandler, G.	<b>Reusing Waste Water Derived from Food Processing</b> - Creates a permit process giving owners of agricultural processing plants the exclusive right to apply to the Department of Ecology (DOE) for application of agricultural industrial reclaimed water to agricultural water use; allows the DOE to refer the permit application to the Department of Health if a significant public health risk exists for land application of water; makes this permit process distinct from ground water and surface water permits, and exempts water rights satisfied by use of agricultural industrial reclaimed water from relinquishment; defines "agricultural industrial reclaimed water," "agricultural processing," and "agricultural water use" for purposes of this new permit process; and includes legislative findings regarding the role of the agricultural processing industry in promoting efficient water use. (CD)	H Rules R (The bill is similar to SSB 5925 which was enacted as Chapter 69, Laws of 2001.)
HB 1984	Quall, Morris, Barlean	<b>Creating the Small Farm Direct Marketing Assistance Program</b> - Creates a marketing assistance program within the Department of Agriculture to assist small farms in direct marketing efforts. (KH)	H Rules 3 (The bill reached S Ways & Means before the end of the Regular Session.)

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	SINE DIE STATUS
SHB 2038	Linville, Chandler, G.	<b>Clarifying "Voluntarily Fails" for Water Rights Relinquishment Purposes</b> - Defines when a failure to use a water right is voluntary and, therefore, subjects the right to relinquishment for non-use and identifies circumstances that qualify as involuntary failures to use a water right. (KH)	H Rules R (Provisions on this subject are contained in SSB 5910 which has been delivered to the Governor.)
SHCR 4408	Chandler, G., Linville	<b>Creating a Joint Select Committee to Review the Need for the Central Filing of Farm Product Liens</b> - Creates a 21-member joint select committee on central filing of liens for farm products to examine the advisability of creating and maintaining a state central filing system for farm products and to determine the products that should be governed by and the entity that should operate the central filing system if one is created; specifies the members of the joint select committee, including legislative members, representatives from the Department of Agriculture and Department of Licensing, banking representatives, and a variety of agricultural representatives; includes governance, operations, and staffing provisions; requires a report to the Legislature by November 30, 2001; and expires the joint task force on December 1, 2001. (CD)	H Rules R
SB 5093	Sheldon, T., Oke, Rasmussen	<b>Modifying Provisions Concerning the Unlawful Dumping of Solid Waste</b> - Changes penalties for littering and abandoning junk vehicles in an incorporated area so that they are the same as the existing penalties for the same offenses in the unincorporated portion of a county. (JC)	S Rules 3 (The bill reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session and is identical to SHB 1163 which has been delivered to the Governor.)
SSB 5100	Fraser, Swecker, Regala	<b>Expediting the Processing of Pending Applications Relating to Existing Water Rights</b> - Until June 30, 2005, allows applications for modifying existing water rights to be processed separately from applications for new water rights and does not protect the latter applications from being impaired by decisions regarding the existing rights; and alters the method used to calculate the amount of water governed by a water right that may be transferred or changed to enable the irrigation of additional acreage or the addition of new water uses. (KH)	S Rules 3 (The bill reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session. Provisions on this subject are contained in ESHB 1832 which has been delivered to the Governor.)
SB 5315	Fraser, Morton	<b>Including Drinking Water Accounts in Interest-bearing Accounts</b> - Creates two new accounts, the drinking water assistance administrative account and the drinking water assistance repayment account, in the state treasury and authorizes these accounts to receive interest earnings. (CD)	S Rules 3 (The bill reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session and is identical to HB 1198 which has been delivered to the Governor.)

BILL NO.	PRIME SPONSORS	SUMMARY	SINE DIE STATUS
SSB 5361	Parlette, Honeyford, Hewitt	<b>Regarding Instream Flows and Trust Water Rights</b> - Requires the Department of Ecology (DOE) to accept certain donations of water rights for the trust water rights programs for instream flows in areas where aquatic species have been listed as endangered or threatened and the terms prescribed for the donation are mutually acceptable; waives requirements that the DOE make impairment determinations before these trust water rights may be exercised and alters notification requirements regarding their being exercised; and requires a trust water right to be managed for instream purposes if its acquisition by the state is expressly conditioned to be for that use. (KH)	S Rules 3 (The bill reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session. Provisions on this subject are contained in ESHB 1832 which has been delivered to the Governor.)
SSB 5586	Fraser, Morton, Regala	<b>Modifying Provisions Concerning How Water Resource Inventory Areas Receive Funds to Conduct Planning</b> - Allows local watershed planning groups to receive additional funding from the Department of Ecology (DOE) for their planning if it includes instream flow, water quality, or fish habitat components; allows a more flexible schedule of funding from the DOE for such a group under certain circumstances; and alters the deadline for completing a watershed plan. (KH)	S Rules 3 (The bill reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session. Provisions on this subject are contained in ESHB 1832 which has been delivered to the Governor.)
ESSB 5674	Constantine, Jacobsen, Prentice	<b>Establishing the Washington Climate Center</b> - Creates a 15-member joint select committee on climate change to study and make recommendations on the potential: (1) impacts of climate change in the state; and (2) effects of early action by the state, before action by the federal government or other states, on the state's competitive position with respect to other states; specifies the joint select committee members include legislative, environmental, agricultural, business, timber, local government, irrigation districts, and municipal water purveyor representatives; includes governance, operations, and staffing provisions; requires the joint select committee to report to the Legislature its interim findings by December 31, 2001, and its final recommendations by June 30, 2002; and expires the joint select committee on July 1, 2002. (CD)	S Rules 3 (The bill reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session and is similar to SHB 1921 which reached H Rules X before the end of the Regular Session.)
SSB 5902	Rasmussen, Sheahan, Hochstatter	<b>Regulating Agricultural Commodity Commissions</b> - Authorizes members of agricultural commodity boards and commissions to receive compensation of up to \$100/day (rather than up to \$35/day) for each official duty day. Reduces the minimum age required for a member of a commodity commission and for producer members of a commodity board created by marketing order and specifies how those members and their employees may be reimbursed for travel costs; expands the purposes for which such a commission or board may be created; and expands the authorized powers and duties of commodity commissions and boards including the authority to retain private legal counsel in emergent situations, engage in fund-raising activities and create foundations for certain purposes, to enter into contracts to carry out the purposes of the commission or board, and to enter into agreements for certain research. (KH)	S Rules 3 (The bill reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session and is similar to SHB 1892 which has been delivered to the Governor.)

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ESSB 5904	Morton, Rasmussen	<b>Revising Procedures for Conservation District Elections (Revised for Engrossed: Revising Procedures for Choosing Conservation District Supervisors)</b> - Allows conservation districts to choose to use the conservation district election process or the general election process; requires conservation districts choosing the general election process to remain responsible for election costs and to notify affected county auditors of their choice by May 1 of the year in which the election is to be conducted; specifies districts using the general election process are still governed by conservation district statutes not related to election processes; specifies at least one appointed supervisor and at least two elected supervisors must be land owners or farm operators; makes candidates and district supervisors in districts using the general election processes subject to statutory public disclosure requirements; allows districts using the general election process to impose special assessments without county legislative authority approval; and defines "elected supervisor" as a member of a conservation district board of supervisors who is not appointed by the state Conservation Commission and who is elected under either the general election or conservation district process. (CD)	S Rules 3 (The bill was in dispute between the House and Senate at the end of the Regular Session. It is similar to SHB 1502 which reached S Ag & Int'l Trade before the end of the Regular Session.)
SSB 5914	Fraser	<b>Concerning Water Rights on Family Farms</b> - Allows the transfer of water made surplus to a water use under a family farm permit through more efficient practices or technologies to be transferred to any use under certain circumstances; and allows the transfer of a water right established under a family farm permit to non-irrigation uses under certain circumstances. (KH)	S Rules 3 (The bill reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session. Provisions on this subject are contained in ESHB 1832 which has been delivered to the Governor.)
SSB 5919	Morton, Fraser, Honeyford	<b>Providing for the Assessment of Potential Site Locations for Water Storage Projects</b> - Allows a watershed planning unit's assessment of water supply and use to include the identification of potential sites for water storage projects. (KH)	S Rules 3 (The bill reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session. Provisions on this subject are contained in ESHB 1832 which has been delivered to the Governor.)
SSB 6012	Honeyford, Rasmussen, Hochstatter	<b>Allowing Customary Agricultural Related Burning in an Urban Growth Area</b> - Permits normal, necessary, and customary agricultural burning in urban growth areas provided such burning is not conducted during air quality episodes or a determination of impaired air quality has not been made and the agricultural activities preceded the designation of the urban growth area. (JC)	S Rules 3 (The bill reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session.)
SB 6025	Eide, Patterson, Franklin	<b>Prohibiting Methyl Tertiary-butyl Ether as a Gasoline Additive</b> - Prohibits the intentional addition of methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE) to fuel after December 31, 2003. Prohibits a person to knowingly mix methyl tertiary-butyl ether (MTBE) into gasoline above six-tenths of one percent. (JC)	S Rules 3 (The bill reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session and is similar to EHB 1015 which has been delivered to the Governor.)



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SJM 8004	Spanel, Swecker, Patterson	<b>Petitioning Congress to Appropriate Support for an Oil Spill Prevention Tugboat in the Strait of Juan De Fuca -</b> Requests Congress to appropriate funds to support a permanently stationed oil spill prevention tugboat in the Strait of Juan de Fuca. (JC)	S Rules 3 (The bill reached H Rules R before the end of the Regular Session.)

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